



# United States Mint Announces Plans to Issue American Eagle 25th Anniversary Silver Coin Set

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WASHINGTON — United States Mint Deputy Director Richard A. Peterson today announced plans to issue a limited-edition five-coin set to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the popular American Eagle Coin Program. Peterson made the announcement at a coin forum held at the American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money® near Chicago.

The United States Mint American Eagle 25th Anniversary Silver Coin Set will include five one-ounce American Eagle Silver Coins.

- \* one **proof coin** from the United States Mint at West Point
- \* one **uncirculated coin** from the United States Mint at West Point
- \* one **uncirculated coin** from the United States Mint at San Francisco
- \* one **reverse proof coin** (frosted background with polished, mirror-like design elements/foreground) from the United States Mint at Philadelphia
- \* one **bullion coin**.

All five coins will be mounted in one custom-designed, highly polished, lacquered hardwood presentation case accompanied by a Certificate of Authenticity. The United States Mint plans to produce up to 100,000 American Eagle 25th Anniversary Silver Coin Sets with a household order limit of 5 sets in effect. The United States Mint expects to begin accepting orders in late October. A price has not been set. As with all products containing precious metals, pricing will be set as close as possible to the release date and is subject to change throughout the life of the program.

The United States Mint introduced the American Eagle Silver and Gold Programs in 1986. The obverse (heads side) design of the silver coins features a modern rendition of famed sculptor Adolph A. Weinman's Walking Liberty. The Walking Liberty design was originally prepared and executed for the circulating half-dollar in 1916. The reverse (tails) design, by former United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver John Mercanti, features the heraldic eagle with shield, an olive branch in the right talon and arrows in the left.

The United States Mint, created by Congress in 1792, is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces proof, uncirculated and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver, gold and platinum bullion coins.

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